

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

**IN RE: CENTURYLINK SALES
PRACTICES AND SECURITIES
LITIGATION**

This Document Relates to:

Civil Action No. 18-296 (MJD/KMM)
Civil Action No. 18-297 (MJD/KMM)
Civil Action No. 18-298 (MJD/KMM)
Civil Action No. 18-299 (MJD/KMM)

MDL No. 17-2795 (MJD/KMM)

**AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL D.
BLATCHLEY IN SUPPORT OF
OREGON'S MEMORANDUM OF
LAW IN RESPONSE TO KBC ASSET
MANAGEMENT NV'S APPEAL OF
THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S
OCTOBER 20, 2017 ORDER
APPOINTING OREGON AS LEAD
PLAINTIFF**

I, Michael D. Blatchley, declare under penalty of perjury as follows:

1. I am a member in good standing of the Bars of the State of New York and the State of New Jersey, and am admitted *pro hac vice* to this Court. I am a partner of the law firm Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP, counsel for Lead Plaintiff the State of Oregon by and through the Oregon State Treasurer and the Oregon Public Employee Retirement Board, on behalf of the Oregon Public Employee Retirement Fund ("Oregon"), and Lead Counsel for the Class. I submit this declaration in support of Oregon's Memorandum Of Law In Response To KBC Asset Management NV's Appeal Of The Magistrate Judge's October 20, 2017 Order Appointing Oregon As Lead Plaintiff.

2. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of KBC Asset Management NV's Non-Opposition Response To The Competing Motions For

Appointment As Lead Plaintiff, ECF No. 20, *Pio v. General Motors Co.*, No. 4:14-cv-11191-LVP-MKM (E.D. Mich.).

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Respectfully submitted,

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